

A Thesis
on
Hahnemannism the true science
of
Homœopathy

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In glancing at the history of medicine, we are surprised that it has made such slow progress till within a comparatively short time. We cannot wonder, that during so long a period and from the great study and careful attention, which Physicians have always paid to the treatment of disease, that medicine, that science, which of all is most important to man, has made such tardy progress, when we perceive that the great, and all absorbing thought has been, to find a specific for each and every disease. This has been the all absorbing

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secret, which the Physicians
and Alchemists of Medicine
have sought for. — and in
main.

This System, which as an
idea or rather as a belief
of classing a number of
symptoms together under
one group or name, and
adapting to the cure of
that class or name of symptoms,
a combination of crude drugs
has been handed down from
Hippocrates to the latter half
of the eighteenth century.

Thus from the very infancy
of our noble science, down
to the present time, the discovery
of a specific for disease has

called forth the whole mental energy and attention both of the Physician and Empiric. And this is the reason why medicine has made such tardy progress, if any at all till quite recently. For a like reason we perceive, why medicine has always embraced all the follies of ignorance and quackery.

Do we want proof of this? Glance at the practice of the Allopathist of the present days and it affords ample proof of this as well as that it is an impossibility to thus find a specific for disease. How then, you may ask, is disease to be treated? By Specifics

When Hahnemann discovered
the Dynamic power of drugs
and its application to cure disease
according to "Similia Similibus
Curantur", he founded a system
whose very foundation was laid in
Specifics! He discovered
to the profession that a specific
must be given for the
symptoms of disease, and not
for the name. And this
difference, slight as it
may appear has revolution-
ized the whole science of
Medicine, and advanced it
to almost - a perfection,
perfect in its simplicity, And
changed a curse, into the
greatest boon with which
man was ever blessed,

All Matter, whether animal
vegetable or mineral has
three distinct medicinal
properties, Chemical - Me-
chanical and Dynamic.

By the Chemical is meant the
chemical affinity existing
between the drug and the
tissues of the body.

By the Mechanical we mean
the effort made by nature
to throw off the offending
substance.

And the Dynamic is the
relation existing between
the drug and the healthy
organism, excluding the
Chemical and Mechanical
properties.

Crude drugs possess the first

two in their highest degree
and the Dynamic in its lowest.
At a glance we see that the
Dynamic is the most important
and Hahnemann not only discov-
ered this but also a way to
develop its powers ad infinitum
by his method of Attenuations
By his method of Dynamization
we not only develop the true
curative power of the drug
but in an inverse ratio
we remove the chemical
and mechanical effects.
Thus Hahnemann not only
laid the foundation but built
the superstructure most
beautiful in its simplicity
One that shall stand through
all coming years. a monument

both of his wisdom and fame.

Now we might naturally ask why it is, if Homoeopathy is based upon so firm a support and yet so simple in its structure, that the so called Homoeopath fails to cure? In reply we may question whether he is a follower of "Similia" or whether he attributes his failure to the noncurative power of attenuated drugs? In reply to the first I shall only say that he alone is a true Homoeopath who from a close observation of the symptoms of disease makes a careful selection of the remedy according to our

low, and if he does this, then
the attenuated drug will not
prove noncurative.

What better proof do we want
of the curative action of potencies
than that furnished by Drs., Nat. M.
Dye, Carb. A., Carb. R., Lock, and
many others, which in their
crude state are perfectly work-
less as medicines, but in the
potency furnish the Physician
with remedial means which
he could not do without
I am surprised that there are
those in our own ranks who
employ the lower potencies and
thus tacitly employ a potentized
medicine, who should decry the
higher potencies. If it be
true that the 6th potency is so

far superior to the crude drug
as to develop highly curative
effects where the drug would
be useless, can they limit the
Dynamism power of medicine
to that potency? Can they
prove this when some of the
most valuable remedies have
been proved in the higher
potencies? . . . So they cannot
do this for if a potency be
a better remedy than the
crude drug, there is no limit.
But they say that Homoeopathy
has been improved since the
days of Hahnemann, that many
theories which he advanced have
been proven utterly worthless
and false. But this bears no
direct relation to the subject in

question and is no proof against
true Hahnemannism, and
there is a doubt in my mind
whether Homoeopathy has been
advanced by such followers of
its noble and true principles.
In what have they contributed
to advance it? Have they
added anything to our Materia
Medicæ, it has been after a very
unreliable proving.

Have they enriched and enlarged
our already numerous proceedings
by clinical proof and experience
it has been by discarding many
valuable symptoms as worthless
and adding in place thereof a
kind Homœo-Pathological
advice and declaring it to be
too laborious and of no use

to have more than a few
symptoms.

But it would be useless to enumerate
the improvements which have been
added to the science of Homoeopathy
by those who profess to be true
Homoeopaths. They undoubtedly
do good in their own sphere,
but how much more would they
be capable of doing if they
would investigate those truths
which they ridicule through
ignorance. How much
suffering entailed upon man
by the ignorant abuse of drugs
would be obviated, and how
much quicker safer and better
would they cure disease.

We have seen that Homoeopathy

has been assailed on all sides
and that it has no mean foe
in its own ranks, nevertheless
it has grown stronger in the
open and fair fight and has
advanced until its foes acknowl-
edge it no mean or harmless
enemy - and its future progress
is still forward and onward.

We have seen the tall and lofty
forest-tree, supported by its
fellows, raise its head far
above them all, and yet succumb
to the gale in which the less
pretending one of the plain, relying
upon itself for support has but
but nodded to the blast and struck
its roots deeper and taken a firmer
hold, so that when the gale is

over it stands, more firm and
erect. The rock upon the sea shore
throws back, again and again the
angry waves that rush against it.
Yet it stands unmoved and as
firmly bedded - as before, so
shall Homoeopathy rise above the
insults of its foes and proudly withstand
efforts made to overthrow it.

Homoeopathy must succeed, asking
help from no source and relying
upon itself for support; founded
as it is upon a law as immutable
as nature itself, its future
can be but a series of successes.
Guided by and aided by those
who have grown war worn in its
ranks, we shall bear the brunt
of the conflict, and as we go
forth let us do just honor

and revere the memory of
him who planted the seed from
which this beautiful tree has
grown year by year - and
from which we are daily and
hourly gathering rich harvests
of good for suffering humanity

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